# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE
# LOK SABHA

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FISH PRODUCTION
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) the fish production in the country particularly in tribal areas of Maharashtra during each of the last three years; and

(b) the steps being taken or proposed to be taken to increase fish production?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE(SHRI TASLIMUDDIN )

(a ): The Fish Production in the country particularly in tribal areas of Maharashtra during the last three years is as follows:

(in '000 tonnes)

| Year | In the Country | In the tribal areas of Maharashtra |
|---|---|---|
| 2004-05 | 6305 | 19.34 |
| 2005-06 | 6572 | 21.87 |
| 2006-07 | 6754(Provisional) | 21.15 |

(b): Most of the Tribal area of Maharashtra is in inland fisheries sector and there are eight fish seed farms in the tribal areas. These farms are being renovated by the Government of Maharashtra to increase the fish seed production for proper stocking of fish seed in the reservoirs/tanks of the area and apart from this assistance are being given to Fisheries Cooperative societies. The Government of India also through various Centrally Sponsored and Central Sector Schemes provides financial assistance to the State Governments for development of fisheries. In addition to this, National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB) has been set up to increase the fish production in the country.